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Unionville Odd Fellows Lodge
Unionville
Private

c. 1900

The Unionville Odd Fellows Lodge, formally known as the Beautiful Leaf Lodge #2658, occupies a two-story, two-bay frame meeting house supported on brick piers and pierced by six-over-six sash windows that retain louvered shutters highlighted with a faded coat of aqua paint. Built around the turn of the twentieth century, this lodge building is an important remnant of the popular fraternal orders that have been a mainstay of rural communities as places of social gathering and identity.

HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE

MHT Inventory Number: 7-793

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
Social / Humanitarian
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
1890-1930 INDUSTRIAL / URBAN
DOMINANCE
- 4) Resource Type(s):
FRATERNAL LODGE

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Survey No. T-793

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE #2658

and/or common BEAUTIFUL LEAF LODGE

2. Location

street & number South side of Tunis Mills Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Unionville ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio

city, town Easton state MD 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☐ good

☒ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Unionville Odd Fellows Lodge #2658 is located on the south side of the Tunis Mills Road next to the old school in Unionville, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-story rectangular frame building faces north with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1900, the two-story, one-bay by two-bay frame building is supported on brick pier foundation, and the structure is sheathed with plain weatherboards. The medium pitched asphalt shingle roof has extended eaves with sloped soffits.

The north (main) elevation is defined by a center entrance filled with a four-panel door. Fixed above the door is an old faded wood sign with the lodge's initials. The second floor is lighted from the north by a single six-over-six sash window flanked with louvered shutters that retain a faded coat of aqua paint.

The side elevations are two bays across with two six-over-six sash windows on each floor. Each of the windows retain faded aqua shutters as well. A third southernmost first floor bay is defined by a four-panel door side entrance.

Marking the east elevation is a concrete block stove stack that rises between pairs of six-over-six sash windows with blue shutters as well.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Unionville Odd Fellows Lodge building is an unaltered two-story, two-bay frame meeting house supported on brick pier and pierced by six-over-six sash windows that retain louvered shutters that the retain a coat of faded aqua paint. Built around the turn of the twentieth century, this lodge building is an important remnant of the popular fraternal orders that have been a mainstay of rural communities as places of social gathering and identity.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

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Zone Easting Northing

B

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Zone Easting Northing

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Private Consultant/Talbot County date 6/16/90

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city or town Westover state Md 21871

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UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE #2658
Unionville, Maryland
Chain of title

383/356 William B. McLaird, Jr.
Genevieve C. McLaird of Merrick,
New York

to

11/23/1962 Trustees of Beautiful Leaf Lodge #2658
G.U.O.O.F.

JTB 371/433 Board of Education of Talbot County,
et al.

to

1/17/1961 William B. McLaird, Jr.
Genevieve c. McLaird

231/167 J. Kemp Bartlett
Mary D. Bartlett

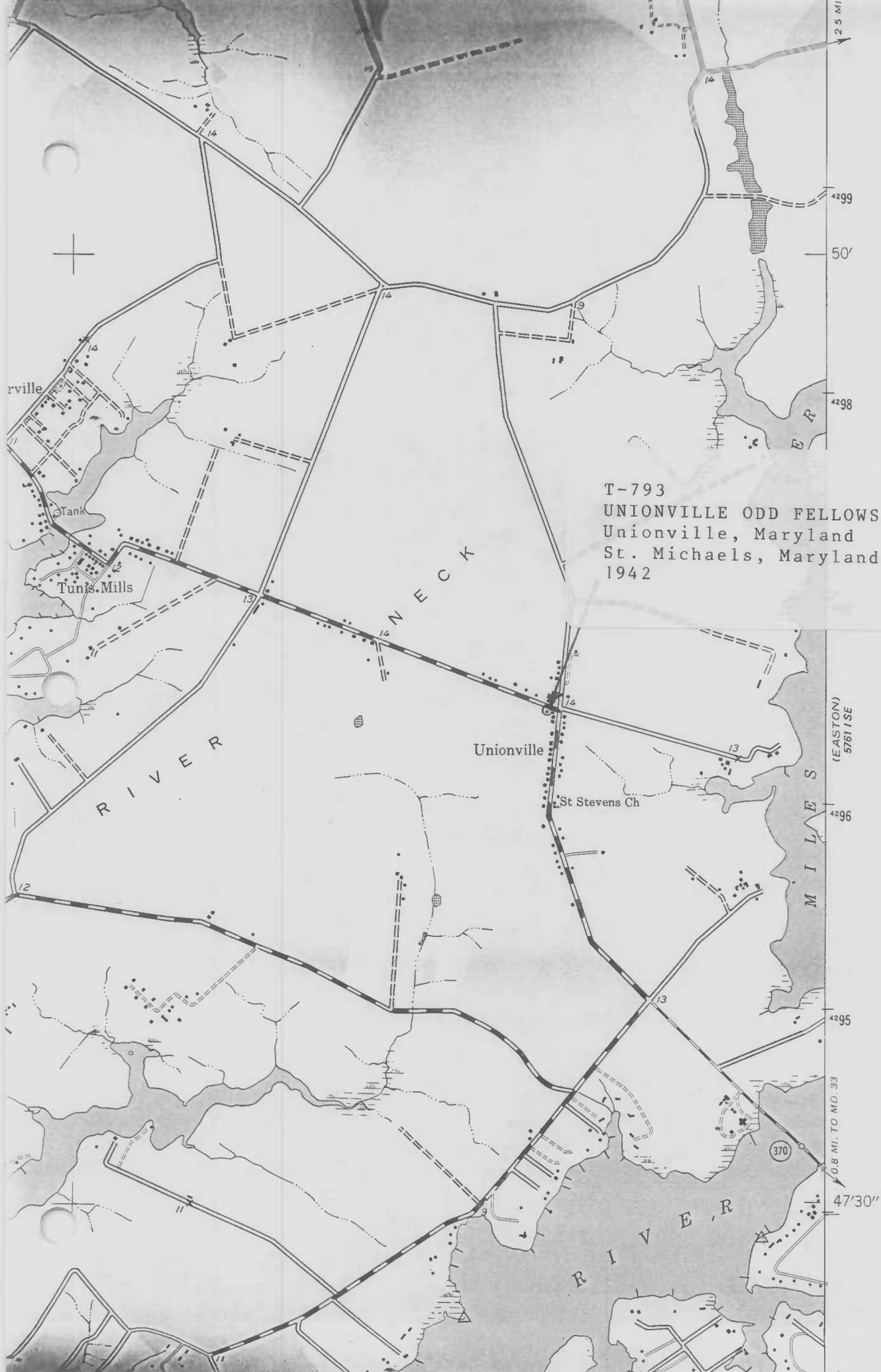
to

6/7/1933 Board of Education

203/441 James M. Cowgill

to

9/17/1925 J. Kemp Bartlett



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UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE
Unionville, Maryland
St. Michaels, Maryland Quadrangle
1942



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UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE

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Northwest elevation

5/90, Paul Touart, photographer

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UNIONVILLE ODD FELLOWS LODGE

Unionville, Talbot County, Maryland

West elevation

6/90, Paul Touart, photographer

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